

## J. C. PENNEY CO. STORE, RENOVATED AND RESTOCKED, OPENS DOORS THIS MORNING

Today marks the formal opening of the J. C. Penney Company store in Torrance at 1261 Sartori ave.

Completely refurnished and repainted, inside and out, the store will present a "brand-new" appearance to the crowd of eager shoppers expected to pack the Torrance store during the formal opening days this week-end. Special and hard-to-get merchandise, which would have regularly been given this store during the period of its closing, will be offered for sale.

Replacing Hillman R. Lee, who was given the company's store in Las Vegas several months ago, will be George R. Noonan who has a long record of successful store operation with the J. C. Penney Company. Noonan was manager of the company's Van Nuys store prior to his transfer here.

Commenting on Torrance, Noonan said, "I've been in Torrance now several weeks arranging the details of the opening of the store. Just long enough to be sure that Torrance is just the kind of a town to which I had for a long time hoped the company would send me. The people here that I have already met have shown such a friendly interest and have given me such a warm welcome that I could hardly feel otherwise."

"I can assure you that I, personally, and the J. C. Penney Company wish to again take an active part in the growth and development of Torrance. I know Mr. Lee contributed much to Torrance during his many years here. I plan to pick up where he left off and do my best to serve the city with honor and credit."

John T. McCrary, Jr., who has been the assistant manager of the Vermont avenue store of the J. C. Penney Company for a number of years, has been transferred to Torrance as assistant to Noonan.

The local Penney store was closed Sept. 25, 1945, along with nine other stores in the Harbor District, in a dispute with the Retail Clerks Union. This dispute was settled, through the efforts of the Torrance Herald on July 17, 1946 to the mutual satisfaction of all parties concerned. The opening of the Penney store was delayed until today for complete refinishing and restocking the store.

**ASSISTANT** . . . Second in charge of the J. C. Penney Co. store which reopens in Torrance today is John T. McCrary Jr., shown above.

## East Torrance Resident Starts Drive For Toys

Jacquelyn Neir, 1614 W. 214th st., is collecting used toys to be cleaned and reconditioned for distributing among children of the infantile paralysis ward, Harbor District county hospital on Carson st.

Coleen Reese, resident of East Torrance and a nurses' aid at the hospital, reports that the toys are urgently needed by the young patients of the ward. The youngsters, she said, have nothing to occupy their time.

One little boy, age two, has received no visitors since his transfer here some time ago, the nurses' aid revealed.

Damarith Gugger and Nancy French are assisting in the drive for toys.

## 20-30 Club To Elect Officers At Next Meeting

Events leading up to the rechartering of the Torrance Area 20-30 club were discussed during the meeting of the group Monday night. Acting Chairman Eddie Dawson presided. A dinner dance, to be held in the Torrance Civic auditorium, is scheduled for Oct. 19.

Nomination and election of officers will be conducted at the next regular meeting in Vurp's Cafe Monday at 7:15 p.m. Those elected will serve for the ensuing six months.

Don Donley, sub-district governor, was guest of the evening and informed new members of wormation and functions of the 20-30 organization.

**NEW LIQUOR LICENSE**  
The State Board on Equalization has approved the applications for new on-sale beer-wine license of Orvin M. and Ercel-deane Strom, George A. and Dorothea B. LeFebvre, 20734 S. Main st.

## Gardena Joins Cities Ordering Curb Meters

Gardena has joined the list of smaller cities installing parking meters, the City Council of the neighboring city having agreed to purchase 160 meters from the Karpark Corporation.

Torrance recently decided to buy approximately 280 parking meters from the Pacific Union Marbleite Co., and although many protests have been made against them, it is apparent that the city will proceed to install the multiple coin type curb meters.

Under the terms of the Gardena contract, the new meters will be installed sometime within the next 60 days on a six months pay-as-you-go trial basis. Total price of the meters will be approximately \$10,400, which will be paid out of their own revenue on a 25-75 percent agreement, with the city retaining the former proportion.

Definite plans for spotting the meters throughout the city have been agreed upon. Installation will start along Gardena boulevard from Vermont Avenue to Berendo and will be carried out later along Western ave. from 168th street to Gardena blvd. to complete the plan.

## State Old Age Security Law Change Oct. 1

Recent amendments to Title I of the Federal Security Act as passed by Congress increases the assistance payments under the California Old Age Security Law. This change is effective Oct. 1. The federal increase which will amount to \$5 per recipient will total approximately \$9,720,000 per year throughout the State of California. The \$5 increase to each recipient of Old Age Security does not necessarily apply to those aged persons whose need is determined on a budget basis or to those who have income which when added to the assistance payment meets their individual budgeted needs.

Interpretation of the budget rules would indicate that many on a budgeted need basis would not receive the total increase of \$5. Some will receive an increase in a lesser amount, and others will receive no increase at all. The law provides that the amount of income plus the grant of aid may not exceed the recipient's total need. If a person has need of \$65 and has \$20 income, his grant at present is \$45. Any increase in his grant would mean that he would receive in excess of the amount necessary to meet his need. This individual, therefore, would not receive an increase in his assistance payment. Another example would be a person with a need of \$85 and income of \$12; his present grant would be the statutory maximum of \$50. On Oct. 1 he would receive an increase of \$3. Thus his grant of \$53 and income of \$12 will meet his need of \$65.

There will be a few recipients whose aid is currently being paid on a budget basis and whose total need is somewhere between \$50 and \$55. (Items in the budget schedule are averaged amounts based on statewide pricings.) If the need of the recipient currently receiving aid on a budget basis is not more than \$55 on Oct. 1, the income necessarily has to be deducted from \$55 because the law provides that the income and the grant of assistance must equal this amount unless there is need in excess of \$55.

## Vermont Sheriff's Office To Stay In Present Location

The Vermont Avenue Sheriff's substation will remain in its present location, 10811 S. Vermont ave., which serves the Torrance and Lomita area, will remain in the present location for at least a year, according to Supervisor R. V. Darby.

The station was to be moved to Lennox, as a part of the county civic center plan there, but no bids were submitted and this plan was dropped for the time being.

A one-year lease, to expire Oct. 31, 1947, was approved by the supervisors for the present location, and the rent was raised from \$85 to \$225 a month.

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